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In re application of

Christophe D'HULST, et al. Conf. 9478

Application No. 10/594,526 Group 1638

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METHOD FOR IMPROVING PLANTS

AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

July 22, 2009

Sir:

In response to the non-final Office Action mailed January 22, 2009, for which the period for response has been extended three months, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.

An $\mbox{\bf Appendix}$ is attached following the signature page of this paper.